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SUBJECT: MAYORIA TAKES POSITIVE LINE ON US

REF BA 7428, BA 7359

1. SUMMARY: OCT 7 EDITION OF MAYORIA, PRO-PERONIST DAILY, CARRIES ARTICLE FAVORABLE TO US AND TO TOP US EMBASSY OFFICIALS HERE. END SUMMARY

2. MAYORIA ARTICLE WAS CAPTIONED "HENRY KISSINGER WILL VISIT US TO SIGN AGREEMENTS." MAIN PEG IS MY OCT 5 MEETING WITH PERON WHICH, ARTICLE SUGGESTS, HAS POINTED UP NEW PERSPECTIVES. AS ONE RESULT OF MEETING, IT SAYS:

"ONE MUST NECESSARILY CHANGE THE POTIC THROUGH WHICH ONE HAD VIEWED THE TASK OF THE MINISTER COUNSELOR OF THE NORTH AMERICAN EMBASSY, MAX V. KREBS. IN EFFECT, IT IS NOW KNOWN THAT KREBS HAS FOR SOME TIME BEEN MAKING SILENT BUT EFFECTIVE EFFORTS TO DISPEL MISUNDERSTANDINGS, STRAIGHTEN OUT MISKAKES, AND TO SECURE ONCE AND FOR ALL THE ESTABLISHMENT OF FRANK AND POSITIVE TIES BETWEEN ARGENTINA AND THE US. FROM THIS EFFORT, FROM WHICH  
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OF COURSE AMBASSADOR LODGE'S OWN HAND WAS NOT ABSENT, MAY

COME A VISIT TO ARGENTINA ON THE PART OF HENRY KISSINGER  
IN ORDER TO SIGN A RECIPROCAL AGREEMENT OF VAST PROPORTIONS  
WHICH IS NOW BEING PREPARED BY THE US AND ARGENTINE FOREIGN  
MINISTRIES."

3. ARTICLE GOES ON TO NOTE THAT MY MEETING WITH PERON WAS VERY  
FRANK AND CORDIAL. DURING ITS COURSE, ARTICLE NOTES, "PRESIDENT-  
ELECT WAS INFORMED OF THE DECISION OF THE OUTGOING AMBASSADOR  
(SIC) TO REMAIN IN BUENOS AIRES IN ORDER TO ATTEND THE  
INAUGURATION NEXT FRIDAY. THIS UNEXPECTED DEVELOPMENT IS A HAPPY  
ONE, FOR LODGE INCARNATES ONE OF THE FRIENDLIEST AND FRANKEST  
EMBASSIES WHICH THE GOVERNMENT IN WASHINGTON COULD HAVE SENT  
TO BUENOS AIRES."

4. COMMENT: REFERENCE TO MASSIVE RECIPROCAL AGREEMENT IS  
PROBABLY MATTER OF MAYORIA BLOWING OUT OF ALL PROPORTION PRESS  
REPORTS HERE TO EFFECT THAT SECRETARY AND FONMIN VIGNES HAD  
TOUCHED UPON AND REACHED SOME MEETING OF MINDS ON ECONOMIC  
ISSUES. ANY PUBLIC REVELATION OF MY CONVERSATION WITH PERON  
DID NOT COME FROM ME.

5. MAYORIA OWNER JACOVELLA CALLED PAO OCT 7 TO APOLOGIZE FOR  
PREVIOUS SMALL ARTICLE IN MAYORIA WHICH HAD TENDED TO ECHO TONE  
OF LA OPINION PIECE (SEE BA 7359) AND INDICATED TO ME IN MY CALL  
ON HIM YESTERDAY THAT HIS PAPER HAS BEEN INFILTRATED BY NON-  
AUTHENTIC PERONISTS. ARTICLE REFERRED TO ABOVE, THAT OF OCT 7,  
WAS PLACED IN SUNDAY EDITION BY JACOVELLA HIMSELF IN EFFORT  
BALANCE EFFECTS OF NEGATIVE PIECE. NONETHELESS, FRIENDLY TONE IN  
OCT 7 ARTICLE IS IN LINE WITH COMMENTS OF OTHER EMBASSY CONTACTS.  
THEIR REACTION HAS BEEN THAT LA OPINION ARTICLE OF OCT 5  
OBVIOUSLY PLANTED BY SOMEONE WITH AX TO GRIND. GIVEN TIE  
BETWEEN TIMMERMAN (LA OPINION PUBLISHER) AND ECONMIN GELBARD,  
LATTER'S IS FIRST NAME TO COME TO MIND. OTHERS, HOWEVER, POINT  
OUT THAT ALLICA'S PREVIOUS CONNECTION WITH CLARIN BRINGS TO  
MIND OTHER POSSIBILITIES (ALLICA IS AUTHOR OF OCT 5 ARTICLE).  
IN ANY EVENT, SOURCES NOTE, ARTICLE DOES NOT REPRESENT ANY  
KIND OF CONSENSUS WITHIN PERONIST MOVEMENT. ON CONTRARY, MOST  
PERONISTS SEEM TO REGRET THAT ISSUE HAS AGAIN BEEN RAISED.  
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